



## The Whitelaw Cups 2025/26 - October to March

The competition is run on a Greensomes basis over 14 holes. Ideally, play should be over holes 1 to 7 before crossing over to play holes 12 to 18. Consideration **MUST** be given to other golfers playing a full round if cutting in at hole 12. **No group** should cut across if any golfers are on the 11<sup>th</sup> hole. In the event of a 'full' course the competition should be played over holes 1 to 14.

Each player will receive 14/18 of his handicap as allowance. The Greensomes Handicap Calculation for each pairing will follow thereafter in accordance with R & A Greensomes golf rules.

### Greensomes Handicap Calculation

Calculate the handicap for each pairing as follows: (Lower handicap x 0.6) + (higher handicap x 0.4). If the handicaps in the pair are equal, then use half the combined handicaps. The lower handicapped pair then give strokes to the other based on the full difference between the two handicaps. The Handicaps will be worked out on the drawsheet but if necessary, the Starter will normally have a copy of a calculation sheet.

### Stroke Indexes

|    | PLAYING HOLES<br>1-14 |     | PAR | S/I |  |    | PLAYING HOLES<br>1-7 & 12-18 |     | PAR | S/I |
|----|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|--|----|------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| 1  | POINT GARRY(OUT)      | 312 | 4   | 7   |  | 1  | POINT GARRY(OUT)             | 312 | 4   | 7   |
| 2  | SEA                   | 414 | 4   | 9   |  | 2  | SEA                          | 414 | 4   | 9   |
| 3  | TRAP                  | 444 | 4   | 1   |  | 3  | TRAP                         | 444 | 4   | 1   |
| 4  | CARLEKEMP             | 168 | 3   | 11  |  | 4  | CARLEKEMP                    | 168 | 3   | 11  |
| 5  | BUNKERSHILL           | 359 | 4   | 5   |  | 5  | BUNKERSHILL                  | 359 | 4   | 5   |
| 6  | QUARRY                | 139 | 3   | 13  |  | 6  | QUARRY                       | 139 | 3   | 13  |
| 7  | EIL BURN              | 344 | 4   | 3   |  | 7  | EIL BURN                     | 344 | 4   | 3   |
| 8  | LINKHOUSE             | 487 | 5   | 12  |  | 12 | BASS                         | 363 | 4   | 6   |
| 9  | MIZZENTOP             | 502 | 5   | 6   |  | 13 | PIT                          | 362 | 4   | 10  |
| 10 | EASTWARD HO!          | 153 | 3   | 14  |  | 14 | PERFECTION                   | 358 | 4   | 4   |
| 11 | BOS'NS LOCKER         | 523 | 5   | 2   |  | 15 | REDAN                        | 178 | 3   | 12  |
| 12 | BASS                  | 363 | 4   | 8   |  | 16 | GATE                         | 360 | 4   | 2   |
| 13 | PIT                   | 362 | 4   | 10  |  | 17 | POINT GARRY(IN)              | 405 | 4   | 8   |
| 14 | PERFECTION            | 358 | 4   | 4   |  | 18 | HOME                         | 269 | 4   | 14  |



### Holes Strokes Received – when playing 1-14

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|--------------------------------------------|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1                                          | 3 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 2                                          | 3 | 11 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 3                                          | 3 | 7  | 11 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 4                                          | 3 | 7  | 11 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 5                                          | 3 | 5  | 7  | 11 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 6                                          | 3 | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 7                                          | 1 | 3  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 8                                          | 1 | 3  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 9                                          | 1 | 2  | 3  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 14 |    |    |    |    |    |
| 10                                         | 1 | 2  | 3  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |    |    |    |
| 11                                         | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 7  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |    |    |
| 12                                         | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |    |
| 13                                         | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |    |
| 14                                         | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |

### Holes Strokes Received – when playing 1-7 & 12 -18

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|----------------------------------------------------|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1                                                  | 3 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 2                                                  | 3 | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 3                                                  | 3 | 7  | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 4                                                  | 3 | 7  | 14 | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 5                                                  | 3 | 5  | 7  | 14 | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 6                                                  | 3 | 5  | 7  | 12 | 14 | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 7                                                  | 1 | 3  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 14 | 16 |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 8                                                  | 1 | 3  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 14 | 16 | 17 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| 9                                                  | 1 | 2  | 3  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 14 | 16 | 17 |    |    |    |    |    |
| 10                                                 | 1 | 2  | 3  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 17 |    |    |    |    |
| 11                                                 | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 17 |    |    |    |
| 12                                                 | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 7  | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |    |    |
| 13                                                 | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |    |
| 14                                                 | 1 | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |



## **Rules of Competition**

1. The Whitelaw Cups competition is open to all playing members.
2. Members without a valid competition handicap should play from their last known handicap.
3. Members need only to commit to the Thursdays on which they wish to play.
4. All players are expected to join the e-mail group at [thewhitelawcups@gmail.com](mailto:thewhitelawcups@gmail.com)
5. Points will be awarded 2 for a win and 1 for a tied match.
6. The 16 players accruing the highest number of points after the qualifying rounds will qualify for the knockout stage of the competition.
7. In the event of a tie to determine any of the qualifying positions, the player with the most appearances throughout the season will qualify.
8. Any further tie or ties will be decided by a draw of lots.
9. A blind draw to determine the pairings for the knockout stages will follow.
10. Consolation competitions will be organised for the players who do not qualify for the knockout stages.
11. Entry can be made online using HowDidIDo, the PSI unit in the Tantallon Room or if necessary entry sheet in the Tantallon Room.
12. The draw will be performed each Thursday for the following Thursday's matches and be announced after play and also then published to everyone in the email group.
13. By mutual agreement, one player in each match will be responsible for marking the match result on the results sheet in the bar after play
14. The £2 entry fee for each week that you pay will be collected off your Tantallon Card as you enter – please top up you card as required. Any withdrawals after the draw has been made will forfeit the £2 entry fee.
15. Once the draw has been made, all withdrawals or late entry requests should be made by contacting the match secretary through the email group address.
16. Any member requesting a specific tee time for any matchday, should do so via [thewhitelawcups@gmail.com](mailto:thewhitelawcups@gmail.com) in advance of the draw being made.
17. Should a player be left on his own by way of a call-off, he should assume himself as a partner therefore doubling his handicap. Again, the Greensomes handicap calculation is used to determine the handicap allocation.
18. A single player has the option to play two balls from the tee. Thereafter he can select which of the two tee shots to complete the hole with.
19. In the event of inclement weather, by agreement, a minimum of 7 holes must be played in order that any result will stand and accrue points.
20. A match between two single players is not an official match and no points will be awarded.
21. The match secretary is only responsible for the administration of the Whitelaw Cups and in the event of any dispute, the Captain will form an ad hoc committee of three to resolve any rulings or issues.



22. In the event of any disputes, the decision of the Competition Committee will be final.
23. All matches will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as laid down by the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews in conjunction with the West Links Local Rules as decided and altered from time to time by The North Berwick G.C. and/or the West Links Greens Committee.

## **Dates**

### **Qualifying Rounds**

Every Thursday between 9<sup>th</sup> October 2025 & 12th February 2026

### **Quarterfinals**

19<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### **Semi-finals**

26<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### **Final**

5<sup>th</sup> February 2026